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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ADJUSTING ILLUMINATION ANGLE

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Applicant has reviewed the Office Action with restriction requirement mailed on August 27, 2003. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Restriction to one of the following claims was required:

- I. Claims 1-13, drawn to a machine vision system, classified in class 356, subclass 394.
- II. Claims 14-18, drawn to an illumination method, classified in class 348, subclass 370.
- III. Claims 19-23, drawn to a machine vision inspection method, classified in class 382, subclass 145.

Applicant provisionally, elects, **without traverse**, to prosecute the invention of Group I (claims 1-13).

The claims of the non-elected invention, claims 14-23, are hereby canceled. However, Applicant reserves the right to later file continuations or divisions having claims directed to the non-elected inventions.